

ROL

To ROLL. *v. a.* [rouler, Fr. *rollen*, Dutch; from *rotula*, of *roto*, Lat.]

1. To move any thing by volutation, or successive application of the different parts of the surface, to the ground.
Who shall *roll* us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre? *Mark* xvii. 3.

2. To move any thing round upon its axis.
Heav'n shone and *roll'd* her motions. *Milton*.

3. To move in a circle.
To dress, and troll the tongue, and *roll* the eye. *Milton*.

4. To produce a periodical revolution.
To wrap round upon itself.

5. To enwrap; to involve in bandage.
By this *rolling*, parts are kept from joining together. *Wifem*.

6. To form by rolling into round masses.
Grind red-lead, or any other colour with strong wort, and *roll* them up into long rolls like pencils. *Peacham*.

7. To form by rolling into round masses.
The pin ought to be as thick as a *rolling* pin. *Wifeman*.

8. To pour in a stream or waves.
A small Euphrates through the piece is *roll'd*,
And little eagles wave their wings in gold. *Pope*.

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1. To be moved by the successive application of all parts of the surface to the ground.

Our nation is too great to be ruined by any but itself; and if the number and weight of it *roll* one way upon the greatest changes that can happen, yet England will be safe. *Temple*.

Reports, like snow-balls, gather still the farther they *roll*.
Government of the Tongue.

Fire must rend the sky,
And wheel on th' earth, devouring where it *rolls*. *Milton*.

A tortoise, by pushing against the ground only with its neck and head, *rolls* itself as in a cradle, to find out the side towards which the inequality of the ground might more easily permit it to *roll* its shell. *Ray on the Creation*.

2. To run on wheels.
He next essays to walk, but downward preps'd,
On four feet imitates his brother beast;
By slow degrees he gathers from the ground
His legs, and to the *rolling* chair is bound. *Dryden*.

3. To perform a periodical revolution.
Thus the year *rolls* within itself again. *Dryden*.

4. To move with appearance of circular direction.
When thirty *rolling* years have run their race. *Dryden*.

5. To revolve.
Thou, light,
Revolve'st not these eyes, which *roll* in vain,
To find the piercing ray, and find no dawn:
A boar is chaf'd, his nostrils flames expire,
And his red eye-balls *roll* with living fire. *Dryden*.

6. To move as waves or volumes of water.
Twice ten tempestuous nights I *roll'd*, resign'd
To roaring billows and the warring wind. *Pope*.

7. To move as waves or volumes of water.
Wave *rolling* after wave in torrent rapture. *Milton*.

8. To move as waves or volumes of water.
Till the huge surge *roll'd* off, then backward sweep
The reflux tides, and plunge into the deep. *Pope*.

9. To move as waves or volumes of water.
Tempt icy seas, where scarce the waters *roll*. *Pope*.

10. To move as waves or volumes of water.
Storms beat, and *rolls* the main;
Oh beat those storms, and *roll* the seas in vain. *Pope*.

11. To move as waves or volumes of water.
To fluctuate; to move tumultuously.

12. To move as waves or volumes of water.
Here tell me, if thou dar'st, my conscious soul,
What different sorrows did within thee *roll*. *Prior*.

13. To move as waves or volumes of water.
The thoughts, which *roll* within my ravish'd breast,
To me, no less, th' inspiring gods suggest. *Pope*.

14. To move as waves or volumes of water.
In her sad breast the prince's fortunes *roll*,
And hope and doubt alternate seize her soul. *Pope*.

15. To move as waves or volumes of water.
To revolve on its axis.
He fashion'd those harmonious orbs, that *roll*
In reflex gyres about the Arctick pole. *Sandys's Paraph.*

16. To move as waves or volumes of water.
To be moved tumultuously.
Down they fell
By thousands, angel on archangel *roll'd*. *Milton*.

17. To move as waves or volumes of water.
To ROLL. *n. f.* [from the verb.]

1. The act of rolling; the state of being rolled.

2. The thing rolling.
Lifting senates hang upon thy tongue,
Devolving through the maze of eloquence
A *roll* of periods, sweeter than her song. *Thomson*.

3. [Roman, Fr.] A mass made round.
Large *rolls* of fat about his shoulders clung,
And from his neck the double dewlap hung. *Addison*.

4. [Roman, Fr.] A mass made round.
To keep ants from trees, encompass the stem four fingers
breadth with a circle or *roll* of wool newly plucked. *Mort.*

5. Writing rolled upon itself.
His chamber all was hang'd about with *rolls*
And old records, from ancient times deriv'd. *Fa. Queen*.

6. A round body rolled along.
Where land is clotty, and a shower of rain comes that
soaks through, use a *roll* to break the clots. *Mortimer*.

7. [Retulus, Lat.] Publick writing.
Cromwell is made master
O' th' *rolls* and the king's secretary. *Shakesp. Henry VIII.*

8. [Retulus, Lat.] Publick writing.
Darius made a decree, and search was made in the house
of the *rolls*, where the treasures were laid up. *Ezra* vi. 1.

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The *rolls* of parliament, the entry of the petitions, answers, and transactions in parliament are extant. *Hale*.

7. A register; a catalogue.
Beasts only cannot discern beauty; and let them be in the
roll of beasts, that do not honour it. *Sidney*.

8. The roll and list of that army doth remain.
Of that short *roll* of friends writ in my heart,
There's none, that sometimes greet us not. *Dante*.

9. These signs have mark'd me extraordinary,
And all the courses of my life do shew,
I am not in the *roll* of common men. *Shakesp. Henry IV.*

10. 'Tis a mathematical demonstration, that their twenty-four
letters admit of so many changes in their order, and make such
a long *roll* of differently ranged alphabets, not two of which are
alike; that they could not all be exhausted, though a million
millions of writers should each write above a thousand alpha-
bets a-day, for the space of a million millions of years. *Bentl.*

11. Chronicle.
Please thy pride, and search the herald's *roll*,
Where thou shalt find thy famous pedigree. *Dryden*.

12. The last *roll*, recording what we said.
The eye of time beholds no name
So blest as thine, in all the *rolls* of fame. *Pope*.

13. Warrant. Not in use.
We have, with special *roll*,
Elected him our absence to supply. *Shakesp. Meas. for Meas.*

14. [Role, Fr.] Part; office. Not in use.
In human society, every man has his *roll* and station as-
signed him. *L'Estrange*.

15. ROLLER. *n. f.* [rouleau, Fr. from *roll*.]
1. Any thing turning on its own axis, as a heavy stone to level
walks.
When a man tumbles a *roller* down a hill, the man is the
violent enforcer of the fall motion; but when it is once
tumbling, the property of the thing itself continues it. *Hume*.

2. The long slender worms, that breed between the skin and
flesh in the ile of Ormuz and in India, are generally twisted
out upon sticks or *rollers*. *Ray on the Creation*.

3. They make the firing of the pole horizontal towards the
lathe, conveying and guiding the firing from the pole to the
work, by throwing it over a *roller*. *Moxon's Mech. Exp.*

4. Lady Charlotte, like a frolter,
Sits mounted on the garden *roller*. *Swift's Miscellany*.

5. Bandage; fillet.
Fasten not your *roller* by tying a knot, lest you hurt your
patient. *Wifeman's Surgery*.

6. Bandage being chiefly to maintain the due situation of a
dressing, surgeons always turn a *roller* with that view. *Sharp*.

7. ROLLINGPIN. *n. f.* [rolling and pin.] A round piece of wood
tapering at each end, with which paste is moulded.
The pin should be as thick as a *rollingpin*. *Wifeman*.

8. ROLLYPOOLY. *n. f.* A sort of game, in which, when a ball
rolls into a certain place, it wins. A corruption of *roll ball*
into the pool.

9. Let us begin some diversion; what d'ye think of *revolving*
or a country dance? *Arbutnot's History of John Bull*.

10. ROMAGE. *n. f.* [romage, Fr.] A tumult; a bustle; an active
and tumultuous search for any thing.
This is the main motive

11. Of this post haste, and *romage* in the land. *Shakesp.*

12. ROMANCE. *n. f.* [roman, Fr. *romanza*, Italian.]

1. A military fable of the middle ages; a tale of wild adven-
tures in war and love.
What romances

2. In fable or *romance* of Uther's son. *Milton*.

3. A brave *romance* who would exactly frame,
First brings his knight from some immortal dame. *Water*.

4. Some *romances* entertain the genius; and strengthen it by
the noble ideas which they give of things; but they corrupt
the truth of history. *Dryden's Duress*.

5. A lie; a fiction. In common speech.
To ROMANCE. *v. n.* [from the noun.] To lie; to forge.

6. This is strange *romancing*. *Pamph.*

7. ROMANCER. *n. f.* [from *romance*.] A liar; a forger of tales.
The allusion of the daw extends to all impostors, vain
pretenders, and *romancers*.

8. Shall we, cries one, permit
This leud *romancer*, and his bantering wit. *Tate's Jarm.*

9. To ROMANIZE. *v. a.* [from *roman*, Fr.] To latinize; to fill
with modes of the Roman speech.

10. He did too much *romanize* our tongue, leaving the words
he translated, almost as much Latin as he found them. *Dryd.*

11. ROMANTICK. *adj.* [from *romance*.]

1. Resembling the tales of romances; wild.
Philosophers have maintained opinions, more absurd than
any of the most fabulous poets or *romantick* writers. *Ku-*

2. Zeal for the good of one's country a party of men have re-
presented, as chimerical and *romantick*. *Addison*.

3. Improbable; false.
Fanciful; full of wild scenery.

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Bulls or letters of election only serve in the *Romish* coun-
tries. *Ayliffe's Parergon*.

ROMP. *n. f.*
1. A rude, awkward, boisterous, untaught girl.
She was in the due mean between one of your affected
courtly pieces of formality, and your *ramps* that have no
regard to the common rules of civility. *Arbutnot*.

2. Rough rude play.
Ramp loving mis
Is haul'd about in gallantry robust. *Thomson*.

3. To ROMP. *v. n.* To play rudely, noisily, and boisterously.
In the kitchen, as in your proper element, you can laugh,
squall, and *ramp* in full security. *Swift's Rules to Servants*.

4. A stool is the first weapon taken up in a general *ramping* or
skirmish. *Swift's Rules to Servants*.

5. Men presume greatly on the liberties taken in *ramping*.
Clarissa.

6. RONDEAU. *n. f.* A kind of ancient poetry, commonly con-
sisting of thirteen verses; of which eight have one rhyme and
five another: it is divided into three couplets, and at the end
of the second and third, the beginning of the *rondau* is re-
peated in an equivocal sense, if possible. *Trevoux*.

7. ROAST. *n. f.* An animal flinted in the growth.
My ragged *roasts* all shiver and shake,
As done high towers in an earthquake;
They want in the wind, wag their wriggle tails,
Peck as a peacock, but nought it avails. *Spenser*.

8. RONDES. *n. f.* [from *rond*.] A round mals.
Certain *rondes* given in arms, have their names according
to their several colours. *Peacham on Blazening*.

9. RO'NION. *n. f.* [I know not the etymology, nor certainly the
meaning of this word.] A fat bulky woman.
Give me, quoth I,
Aroint the witch! the rump fed *ronyon* cries. *Shakesp.*

10. ROOP. *n. f.* [from *rood*.]
1. The fourth part of an acre in square measure.
I've often wish'd that I had clear,
For life, six hundred pounds a year,
A terras-walk, and half a *rood*
Of land, set out to plant a wood. *Swift*.

2. A pole; a measure of sixteen feet and a half in long mea-
sure.
Satan,
With head uplift 'bove the wave, his other parts
Prone on the flood, extended long and large,
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